

REMARKS

In the Office Action of October 22, 2004, the Examiner rejected the pending claims 1-3. Upon review, Applicants finds the original claims to be overly broad and not descriptive enough.

By this Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 2 and 3, and added claims 4-7 to clarify the invention. By these amendments and additions Applicants feel that the uniqueness of the invention is expressed.

Notes on amended claim one.

Point "F", hierarchical structures are discussed in specification paragraph 88. Point "G" "7" keyboard use is discussed in specification paragraph 95.

Point "G" "6" is referenced by specification paragraph 81, where Applicant discloses the use of a Pocket PC and a Windows CE operating system. One skilled in the art would understand that the Windows CE operating system acts as if it were never turned off. That is, on power-up, whatever was displayed before power down will be displayed on power up. Additionally a user could leave a device turned on for the same effect. In practice our invention allows an end user to continually change the start location of his desired words, phrases and sentences. Unlike other inventions where a user always starts at the top of a hierarchical structure.

One skilled in the art would realize that different hardware and operating systems are able to display different amounts of text. There is an obvious benefit to designing a file structure, as discussed in this invention, so that each part of a

hierarchical structure is of a size equal to or smaller than the display size of a particular device.

Through continual end-user customization our invention teaches a method of having words, phrases and sentences that are *anticipated*, immediately available (through one click on a user interface). In practice this works as follows. Referring to Figure 7, Mary customizes her conversational groupings as discussed in Claim 1G, in the evening. She anticipates what phrases she will need throughout the day and organizes them into three conversational groupings “Morning”, “Afternoon” and “Evening”. She opens the conversational group “Morning” before she goes to sleep and powers down her device. In the morning she powers on her device and is presented with the words, phrases and sentences in the “Morning” conversational group, which can be “spoken” through one action on her device. Before leaving her office for lunch, Mary opens the “Afternoon” conversational group, and now has available to her the words, phrases and sentences she anticipates she will require for the Afternoon.

Our invention also teaches custom arranging of conversational groups within a hierarchical structure. Thus, Mary could have custom placed words, phrases and sentences in a manner to make their retrieval quicker than by using a traditional broad-to-narrow hierarchical structure.

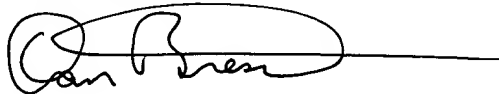
One skilled in the art would realize that our invention teaches a customization method that is quick and easy for an end user to use. Additionally our invention a method teaches a method of being able to quickly access anticipated words, phrases and sentences from the thousands of available

options. Applicant feels that the claims as rewritten transcend the Examiners determination of an obviousness rejection.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants submit that the claimed invention is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious in view of the references cited against this application. Applicants, therefore, requires the Examiner's reconsideration and reexamination of the application, and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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